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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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01/03/2013: Toshi JA8BMK, Ken JN1THL and Yoshiko JQ1LCW will be active from Rodrigues Island (AF-017, WWFF 3BFF-004, WLOTA 4265) as 3B9DX between 1-10 March 2013. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 80-10m using a Kenwood TS-590, a Yaesu FT-897D + Tokyo Hy-Power amp. Antennas will be a Hexbeam, Windom and Verticals. If time permits, Toshi JA8BMK will be QRV as 3B8/JA8BMK from Mauritius (AF-049, WLOTA 0595) on the 27th and 28th of February. QSL via EA5GL, direct only. [DX World]

01/03/2013: Before joining the 9M4SLL team, Ben DJ0YI will be active as 9M6/N6MUF between 1-9 March 2013 from Kota Kinabalu (capital of Sabah) on Borneo Island (OC-088, WLOTA 0119). QSL via DJ0YI, direct and LoTW. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: From March 2013 to October 2013, Vladimir RV3EFH/0 again plans to be active from Bolshevik island (AS-042, RRA RR-07-03, RDA TM-03). QRV on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He could be active from several rare grid squares, too. Bolshevik is the southernmost island of the Severnaya Zemlya group in the Russian Arctic, belonging to the Taymyr Autonomous Okrug oblast (TM). QSL via home call (see QRZ.com). Website: www.rv3efh.russian-hamradio.net [DX World]

01/03/2013: Vadym, UT6UD will be active as S21XV from Dhaka, Bangladesh, between 1-7 March 2013. Activity will be on all HF bands, with focus on North America. QSL via UT6UD. [DX World]

01/03/2013: Once again operators Juan Carlos TI2JCY, Carlos TI2KAC, Mauricio TI4ZM, Eddie K4UN, Bob W4BW, Keith W4KTR and Lex W4XO will be active from Costa Rica as TI8M for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March). They plan a M/? (surprise) entry. QRV 160-10m during and before contest. QSL via TI2KAC, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

01/03/2013: Alan, N3AD, will be active from the V26B rental shack located in Saint George Parish, island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118, WW Loc. FK97CC) as V26M from 1-3 March 2013. This will include a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March). QSL via home call. [NG3K]

02/03/2013: Look for Marcel, PD5MVH/p to be active from Vlieland Island (EU-038, WLOTA 0773) on 2-16 March 2013. He will operate SSB on 40, 20 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

02/03/2013: Lou, W0FK, plans to activate Longboat Key (NA-034, USi FL053S, WW Loc. EL87QJ), Sarasota county, Florida, from 2-16 March 2013. Look for him on, or near, the usual island and IOTA frequencies on the HF bands. QSL direct or bureau to W0FK; LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

02/03/2013: Look for Pete, VE3IKV, to be active on 2 March 2013 as W4/VA3RA from St. Simons Island (NA-058, USi GA003S, WLOTA 4115), Glynn county, Georgia. QRV using CW on 30m or 17m. QSL via VE3IKV, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

03/03/2013: Howard, WA2NHA, will once again be active from the island of Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033) as P4/WA2NHA between 3-17 March 2013. He plans to be QRV on 80-10 metres, mainly CW. QSL via home call. [OPDX Bulletin]

03/03/2013: Pete, VE3IKV, will be active holiday style as W4/VA3RA from Key West (NA-062, USi FL040S), Monroe county, Florida from 3-15 March 2013. QRV using CW on 30m or 17m. QSL via VE3IKV, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

04/03/2013: Nick, G3RWF (5X1NH), plans to go to Rwanda between 4-12 March 2013. He has requested the callsign 9X0NH, and the license should be valid for 2013 because he could return later in the year. Activity will be from Kigali and will be mainly CW. QSL via G3RWF. [OPDX Bulletin]

05/03/2013: Bob, G3PJT, will be active as J34G from the island of Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) from 5-20 March 2013. QRV holiday style using a K2 w/100 watts and vertical antennas. He will also participate in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (9-10 March). Outside of the contest Bob will focus on 80 and 30 metres. QSL via G3PJT direct, or email for bureau card. [NG3K]

06/03/2013: 7P8PB activated by Peter, EI7CC, will be QRV holiday style from Maseru (WW Loc. KG30RQ), Kingdom of Lesotho, between 6-26 March 2013. Logs will be uploaded on a daily basis to LoTW and ClubLog if possible. QSL via EI7CC direct or LoTW. [DX World]

07/03/2013: Once again Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active as CT9/DL3KWR and CT9/DL3KWF from Ilha da Madeira (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053) between 7 March and 3 April 2013. They plan to operate mostly in CW and digital modes with a focus on 12, 17 and 30 metres. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr [AT] darc.de or dl3kwf [AT] darc.de respectively. [425 DX News]

07/03/2013: Dave, VE3AAQ, will be active as VO2AAA from the VO2WL club station in Labrador City, NL (WW Loc. FO62NW), as VO2AAA from 7-10 March 2013. This will include an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (BERU) on 9/10th March. Outside the contest, look for Dave to be active on all bands SSB and CW. QSL via VE3AAQ, direct preferred. [NG3K]

07/03/2013: Urb W1UL and his wife W2PKV will be active from Providenciales Island (NA-002, WLOTA 2003) Turks and Caicos as VP5/W1UL and VP5/W2PKV between 7-13 March 2013. W2PKV will operate primarily SSB and W1UL primarily CW. All bands included six meters are available. QSL for both to W1UL. [NG3K]

08/03/2013: Sigi, DL7DF, will once again lead a group of operators on a 2013 DXpedition which is being called a "Two Entities DXpedition - Solomon 2013". The team has chosen two destinations. The first destination the Solomon Islands as H44G. They will stay on Guadalcandal island (OC-047) from 8-25 March 2013. During the time from 12-23 March, a part of the group will be active from Nendo island (OC-100) Temotu using the callsign H40T. Plans are to be active with several stations on 160m through 6m on CW, SSB. One station on each destination will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Team members include Manfred DK1BT, Georg DK7LX, Wolf DL4WK, Reiner DL7KL, Sigi DL7DF, Juergen DL7UFN, Frank DL7UFR, Jan SP3CYY and Leszek SP3DOI. Pilot station is Bernd, DF3CB. QSL route is via DL7DF, direct or bureau. Further information and updates at: www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php [DL7DF]

08/03/2013: Rick, KK4GV, plans holiday style activity from the Calibishie, island of Dominica (NA-101), as J79GV between 8-17 March 2013. QRV on the HF bands, propagation permitting, SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [DX World]

08/03/2013: Mike W1USN (RNARS #3889), Bob AA1M and Scott W1SSR will be active as PJ2/homecall from the island of Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA 0942) between 8-22 March 2013. Plans are to be QRV on all bands 160m to 10m SSB, CW, PSK and RTTY. Depending on Internet access, the logs will be updated at least daily to LoTW. QSL direct CBA or via the bureau. [DX World]

08/03/2013: Members of the Indonesian Amateur Radio Organization of North Sumatra Area will be active as YB6N from Nias Island (OC-161) between 8-13th March 2013. QRV on the HF bands. QSL via YB4IR. [DX World]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

09/03/2013: Ron, VA3RVK, of Toronto, Ontario, will use the special event callsign CF3A on all bands/modes from 9th March until 7th April 2013 for the 250th Anniversary of Formalized Postal Service in Canada (1763-2013). QSL via VA3RVK, direct or bureau. [RAC]

10/03/2013: For the 62nd Tonegawa River System Association Flood Drill, special event station 8J1W (W: Water) will be QRV on all bands and modes between 10th March and 18th May 2013. QSL via the JARL-bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

10/03/2013: Sam, JE1XUZ and Tama, JQ2WTT will be active from the island of Saipan (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333), Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) as KH0XH and KH0XW respectively between 10th March and 3rd April 2013. Activity from the Saipan BBQ Contest Club contest station AH0BT (QSL via 7L1FPU) during CQ WPX SSB Contest (30-31 March). QSL via home calls, JARL-bureau or direct. [DX World]

18/03/2013: The West Tyrone ARC will be taking part in the St. Patrick's Day celebrations on Monday 18 March 2013 in Omagh, Co Tyrone, Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 2484). The club will be running a special event station using the callsign GB1SPD. They will be operational from the Strule Arts Centre in the Heart of Omagh Town during the Omagh District Council St Patrick Day Parade and Festival. The club will be operating on HF, VHF and UHF, Echolink and digital modes between 11am and 5pm. Special event QSL cards will be available to those who wish to have a confirmation of the QSO, direct or by the RSGB bureau. Details are on www.QRZ.com/ and www.wtarc.org/ [GB2RS]

23/03/2013: Corsica IOTA Expedition by the Invoker Team - Vincent F4BKV, Gil F4FET, Christian EA3NT and Laurent TK4LS will be active between 23rd to 28th March 2013 from the following Corsican IOTAs: EU-100 Cerbicales Islands as TK0INT; EU-104 Sanguinaires Islands as TK1INT; EU-164 San Ciprianu and Lavezzi Islands as TK2INT. Activity will be limited to daytime only with up to 3 stations. They will focus on any DX opening and full planning and information is available on their website at: f4bkv.net/corsica2013/ [DX World]

29/03/2013: Operators Masa W6LJ, Ryuji (Rio) NY8A, Aki W3JH, Masaru AI2K and Masa AH6KY will be active as NH2KY on all HF bands and modes from Barrigada, Guam (OC-026, USi GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064) between 29 March and 2 April 2013. This will include a Multi-2 entry from CQ zone 27 in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (30-31 March) using the callsign KH2KY. QSL KH2KY via JA1MFR. QSL NH2KY via JR3QFB, direct or JARL bureau. [NG3K]

12/04/2013: Operators Friedrich DL4BBH, Klaus DL7UXG, Matthias DK7LV, Henning DB5BZ, Peter DJ4RU, Helmut DL1BGC and Ric DL2VFR will use the special callsign DM50IOTA from Neuwerk Island (EU-127, DID N-012) and lighthouse (DLTD_GLHS #38, ARLHS FED-165, TWLHD WLH DL-01, WLOTA 2311, Admiralty B 1344, WW Loc. JO43FV). This activation will also count for the National Park and Nature Reserve Hamburg Wadden Sea (WWFF reference DLFF-005). QRV between 12-14 April 2013 on all HF bands, SSB and CW. QSL goes via DL2VFR, bureau or direct. Website: www.iota-expedition.com/ [rsgbiota.org]

26/04/2013: John YB5NOF, Anton YB5QZ and 3 other operators plan to be active as YE8B between 26th April and 2nd May 2013 from Banggai Island (OC-208). QRV using CW SSB and RTTY on the HF bands, with 3el yagi. Further information is forthcoming. [IOTA-chasers]

27/04/2013: Members of the Charente DX Group (www.frag33.org/www.cdxg.org/) will be active as TM0SI from Sein Island (EU-068, DIFM AT-007, WLOTA 2721, WW Loc. IN78NA) between 27th April and 4th May 2013. The island belongs to Departement Finistere/29 and region Bretagne (DPF 06). QRV CW, SSB and the Digital modes on 80-6 metres, with 4 stations. Team members will be Eric F5LOW, Laurent F5MNK, Bertrand F6HKA and Leon ON4ZD. QSL manager TBA (check TM0SI at QRZ.com for updates). [DX World]

03/05/2013: A team from the Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development (ERASD) plans activity from Jazirat Disuqi [aka Nelson's Island] and lighthouse (AF-109, WLOTA 2694, WW Loc. KM51BI) between 3-10 May 2013. Note: Dates may change. Belonging to the Nile Delta and Sinai Region Group, this IOTA has never been activated. The island is approximately 20 km east of the Egyptian port of Alexandria, 4 km north of Cape Aboukir. Activity will be on most HF bands, 80-10 metres. The team of operators, so far, consists of Said SU1SK, Hossam SU1HM, Ateff SU1AO and Ayman SU1AR. Further information is forthcoming. Websites: www.qsl.net/eara/ERASDActivieties.html and www.facebook.com/events/441478712566533 [DX World]

18/05/2013: Ric, DL2VFR, will use the special callsign OU1RAEM to activate Samso Island (EU-172, DIA JY-008, WLOTA 0726) between 18-24 May 2013. He also plans to activate a New One for the WorldWide Flora and Fauna program (OZFF-new, to be decided). Look for Ric on the HF bands, mainly CW. QSLs will automatically be sent for all contacts via the bureau. QSL for OU1RAEM is via DF5LW. Website: www.qrz.com/db/ou1raem [rsgbiota.org]

01/06/2013: Robert, VE3RHE, will be operating as CK3C between 1st June and 1st July 2013 to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Arctic Expedition 1913-1916. This includes the annual RAC Canada Day Contest on 1st July 2013. QRV on 40m, 20m and 10m although band conditions will determine the frequencies on any given day. QSL via VE3RHE, direct or bureau. Further information and updates can be found at: events.ve3rhe.ca/ck3c/ [VE3RHE]

01/06/2013: Peter, VE3JPP, of Coldwater, Ontario, will use the special callsign XM3A on all bands/modes from 1st June until 1st July 2013 for the 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Arctic Expedition (1913-1916). This special call will also be used during the RAC Canada Day Contest (1 July). QSL via VE3JPP, direct or bureau. [RAC]

10/06/2013: Lars, SM6CUK, will be active from Ven Island (EU-137, WLOTA 0780) as SA6G/7 between 10-17th June 2013. QRV holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via SM6CUK, by the bureau or direct. [rsgbiota.org]

04/07/2013: Peter, VE3JPP, will use the special callsign CF3X on all bands/modes from 4th July until 3rd August 2013 to commemorate Operation "Husky" - Canadian Military Liberating Sicily. QSL via VE3JPP, direct or bureau. [RAC]

26/07/2013: Look for Friedrich DL4BBH, Dominik DL5EBE, Klaus DL7UXG and Ric DL2VFR to be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (27-28 July) as DM50IOTA from Borkum Island (EU-047, GIA N-001, WLOTA 1022). Plans are for a Multi-Op/Island-Expedition/High-Power entry. QSL via DL2VFR, direct or bureau. Website: www.iota-expedition.com/ [rsgbiota.org]

10/08/2013: Ric, DL2VFR, will be QRV as SD7V from Oland Island (EU-037, WLOTA 0588) between 10-23 August 2013. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly CW. QSL via DL2VFR, direct or bureau - do not QSL via the SM-bureau. Website: www.iota-expedition.com/ [rsgbiota.org]

06/10/2013: Robert, VE3RHE, will air the special callsign VX31763 from Mississauga, Ontario, on all bands/modes from 6th October until 5th November 2013 for the 250th Anniversary of Royal Proclamation of 1763. QSL via VE3RHE, direct or bureau. Further updates will be available at: ve3rhe.ca/ [VE3RHE]
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SPECIAL EVENTS -

The ISWL Club Callsigns in use throughout the month of March 2013 are:

GX4BJC /A - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie - G6XOU. (ISWL Council Member & QSL Bureau Manager) (/A WAB Square = TM22 - England, IOTA = EU-005 & WLOTA = LH-1841).
Herbie will also use GX4BJC /P during the month. (/P WAB Details will be given at the time of the QSO).

MX1SWL and M1SWL Operated from Broad Oak, in East Sussex, England, by Arthur - G0KOC. (ISWL Council Member & Callsign holder) (WAB Square = TQ62 - England, IOTA = EU-005 & WLOTA = LH-1841).

ALL QSL's will be handled by Herbie G6XOU and NOT the individual Operator.
The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club.
All QSL Info is on www.iswl.org.uk/ or www.qrz.com/ or via www.eQSL.cc/ NO LOTW.
I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWL's - see www.iswl.org.uk/ for full details. eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for our awards.
Very best wishes to all Hams and SWL's,
de Pete Rayer, ISWL Life Vice President, Bournemouth, UK.
[Pete at the DX-Newsdesk]

01/03/2013: On the occasion of the 20th company anniversary of "Bombardier Transportation (Rail Engineering) Polska Spolka" the special call 3Z20RE will be active on the bands until mid April. An award is available, see QRZ.COM. QSL via SP5DZC. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: Until 5th March 2013, the club station SP6PNZ will use the special call 3Z55OP on the occasion of the 55th anniversary of the amateur radio club in Opole (SPPA U-NF, PGA NF05, WW Loc. JO80QL). An award is available (see website). QSL via SP6PNZ, bureau preferred. Websites: www.sp6pnz.republika.pl/ & ot11pzk.wordpress.com/regulami/ [DXNL]

01/03/2013: Special event station 8J4G (G: Green) will be active on all bands and modes between 1st March and 31st May 2013 for the 64th National Tree-Planting Ceremony in Tottori prefecture, Chugoku region, island of Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan. QSL via the JARL-bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/03/2013: Special event station 8J6ISG will be active on all bands and modes between 1 March and 30 April 2013 to celebrate the opening of the New Ishigaki Airport. (ISG is the IATA - International Air Transport Association airport code). The new airport will be located to the east of Ishigaki (JCC 4704), Ishigaki Island (WLOTA 0134), Yaeyama Islands (AS-024), Okinawa prefecture, Japan. The new airport is supposed to have a 2,000m (6,562 ft) runway, expandable to 2,500m (8,202 ft). Construction started in October 2006, for completion by 2013, and is scheduled to open on 7 March. QSL via the JARL bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/03/2013: Look for special event station 8N1MOMO to be active on all bands and modes between 1st March and 5th April 2013 to celebrate the 37th Koga city Momo (or Peach (Blossom)) Festival and the 20th Koga city Hot-Air Balloon Contest. Koga city (JCC 1404) is located in Ibaraki prefecture, Kanto region, island of Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan. QSL via the JARL-bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/03/2013: On June 20, 1913, Wilhelm II (German Emperor) visited the village Eilvese near Hannover on the occasion of the completion of building a 258 meter high radio tower, at that time the highest in Germany. The special event callsign DL100OUI (SDOK 100OUI) will be QRV throughout the year to remember the 100th anniversary of the first commercial radio contact between Germany and the USA from this location. OUI were the call letters of the German station at that time, the US station was located in Tuckerton, NJ. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: Radioclub "Delta" celebrates its 20th anniversary with the special station EO20URD until 17 March 2013 and EM7UT and EO0UD during the whole year. QSLs via UR7UT. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: The radio club "Dalnye Strany" celebrates its golden jubilee in March with the special call EV50WB. QSL via EU1AZ (SSB) und via EU1DX (CW, RTTY), LoTW. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: The Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) is going to remember Saint Kozma Zografski during the entire month of March with the special callsign LZ1323SKZ. This callsign is valid for the All Bulgarian Saints Award 2013 (www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm) and is also worth 10 points towards the St. Teodosii Tyrnovski Award. QSL via LZ1KCP, direct or bureau. [LZ1KCP]

01/03/2013: The club station RK3YWA from Brjansk will use the special call R100AIP until 6th March 2013 to commemorate the 100th birthday of A. I. Pokryshkin, three times hero of the Soviet Union, who headed the DOSAAF (Volunteer Society for Cooperation with the Army) for 8 years after the war and who was an accomplished supporter of radio sport in the USSR. QSL via RW3YW. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: Until 3rd March 2013, the special callsign R2013CG will be on the air on the occasion of the 6th "International Children's Winter Games". QSL via UA8WAA. Website: www.icg-ufa2013.com/eng/ [DXNL]

01/03/2013: The special event call RG61PP will, between March to May 2013, celebrate the Day of the Cosmonaut (12 April) and the birthday of Yuri Gagarin (9 March 1934). QSL via operators' instructions. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: During the month of March 2013 the special callsign SN150BPM will commemorate the great battle of Malogoszcz in 1863. QSL via SP7PCA. [DXNL]

01/03/2013: Peter, VE3JPP, of Coldwater, Ontario, is currently using the special callsign VX3Z, on all bands and modes, until 28th March 2013 to celebrate the 250 anniversary of formalized postal service in Canada. QSL via VE3JPP, direct or bureau. [RAC]

01/03/2013: The European Youth Olympic Winter Festival 2013 took place in Brasov from 17-22 February. Until the end of August, the special call sign YP0FOTE will be on the air by members of the "AJR Brasov Radioclub", which issues a special award for this event. QSL via YO6BBQ. Website: //eyowf2013.ro/ [DXNL]

02/03/2013: Mark, G4MEM, will be using the special callsign G100C from his QTH in Harrogate (WW Loc. IO93FX, SO92), England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841), on 02-03 March 2013 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the RSGB. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS

system (www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/). [GR2HQ]

02/03/2013: Special stations II0IDP from Cagliari, Sardinia (EU-024, IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035 WLOTA 1608 - QSL via IS0IGV), and II0ICH from La Maddalena (EU-041, IIA OT-008, MIS MIS-013, WWFF IFF-004, WLOTA 1632 - QSL via IM0QMA) - both representing former coast radio stations of the Italian Navy - will be active from 2-17 March 2013 for the 7th Italian Navy Coastal Radio Stations Award (www.assoradiomarinai.it). [425 DX News]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

01/03-10/03 3B9DX: Rodrigues Island WLOTA:4265 QSL EA5GL (d)
01/03-31/05 8J4G: Honshu WLOTA:2376 QSL JARL Buro
01/03-30/04 8J6ISG: Ishigaki Shima WLOTA:0134 QSL JARL Buro
01/03-05/04 8N1MOMO: Honshu WLOTA:2376 QSL JARL Buro
01/03-09/03 9M6/N6MUF: Borneo Island WLOTA:0119 QSL DJ0YI (d)
01/03-31/03 GX4BJC /A: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL QRZ.com
01/03-31/03 GX4BJC /P: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL QRZ.com
01/03-31/03 M1SWL: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL QRZ.com
01/03-31/03 MX1SWL: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL QRZ.com
01/03-03/03 V26M: Antigua Island WLOTA:1118 QSL W3HNK (d)
02/03-03/03 8P1V: Barbados Island WLOTA:0999 QSL W1VE (d)
02/03-03/03 8P5A: Barbados Island WLOTA:0999 QSL NN1N (d)
02/03-03/03 G100C: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL M0OXO (OQRS)
02/03-03/03 GJ2A: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL QRZ.com
02/03-17/03 II0ICH: Isola La Maddalena WLOTA:1632 QSL IM0QMA (d/B)
02/03-17/03 II0IDP: Sardinia WLOTA:1608 QSL IS0IGV (d/B)
02/03-03/03 P49Y: Aruba Island WLOTA:0033 QSL AE6Y (d)
02/03-16/03 PD5MVH/P: Vlieland Island WLOTA:0773 QSL H/c (d/B)
02/03-03/03 PJ2T: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL N9AG (d)
02/03-03/03 TO5A: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL F5VHJ (LoTW/B)
02/03 W4/VA3RA: St. Simons Island WLOTA:4115 QSL VE3IKV (d/B)
03/03-17/03 P4/WA2NHA: Aruba Island WLOTA:0033 QSL H/c (d)
05/03-20/03 J34G: Grenada Island WLOTA:0718 QSL G3PJT (d/B)
07/03-03/04 CT9/DL3KWF: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL H/c (d/B)
07/03-03/04 CT9/DL3KWR: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL H/c (d/B)
07/03-13/03 VP5/W1UL: Providenciales Island WLOTA:2003 QSL H/c (d)
07/03-13/03 VP5/W2PKV: Providenciales Island WLOTA:2003 QSL W1UL (d)
08/03-25/03 H44 TBA: Guadalcanal Island WLOTA:0086 QSL DL7DF (d/B)
08/03-22/03 PJ2/AA1M: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL H/c (d/B)
08/03-22/03 PJ2/W1SSR: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL H/c (d/B)
08/03-22/03 PJ2/W1USN: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL H/c (d/B)

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6 METRES & UP -

01/03-02/03 JLRS Hina 3.3 Contest 6m-1.2GHz included 01 1500z-02 1500z
02/03-03/03 RSGB March 144 432MHz SO/Fixed/Open 02 1400z-03 1400z
04/03 Memorial OK1WC (MWC) Activity 2m Phone & CW/SO/LP/QRP 1600z-1659z
05/03 LY 144MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z
05/03 NRAU 144MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
05/03 RSGB 144MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
06/03 MOON Contest 144MHz CW/Digital/FM/SSB 1900z-2100z
07/03-13/03 VP5/W1UL: Providenciales NA-002 Grid:FL31 6m all mode QSL H/c (d)
07/03-13/03 VP5/W2PKV: Providenciales NA-002 Grid:FL31 6m all mode QSL W1UL (d)
08/03-25/03 H44G: Guadalcandal OC-047 Grid:RI00 6m CW/SSB QSL DL7DF (d/B)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_mar.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 28 February 2013)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFORMATION -

The following operations have been approved for DXCC:

4S7DXG - Sri Lanka
Only operations in 2008 and 2011

8Q7VR - Maldives
Only operations in 2008 and 2011

If you had credit rejected for contacts with dates during the periods noted, contact dxccrules at arrl.org to be put on the list for an update. Contacts before or after these periods cannot be accepted. Also, in order to expedite the search for these QSOs please include the application ?date received? or ?reference number? noted on your credit slip of the submission these were originally rejected.

73 es DX!
Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager

IOTA Information
The following IOTA operations from October 2012 to January 2013 were approved for the IOTA programme:
RA4HKM/0 (AS-025), C6AVA (NA-048 & NA-054), YB4IR/5 (OC-075), L22D (SA-022) and LU6W (SA-096). SA-096 is therefore now a valid group.

Changes in the USKA QSL bureau:
QSL cards for non-members of the Swiss IARU society USKA will no longer be returned with a "Not Member" stamp, but silently discarded, to save work and money. [DXNL]

QSLs via Bureau: None to report this week ... again! :o(

QSLs via Direct: 3W1M (OM3JW), 5T0SP (OQRS/SP6IXF), 706T [AF-028] (UA3DX), FM5AN (QRZ.com), FR5HA (cba), LU9EO/D (H/c), T32WW (N2WW), VK9/OH3JR (H/c), XX9THX (EA7FTR), Z81D (OM3JW) and ZL9HR (EB7DX).

QSLs via LoTW: 3D2C, 3V8BB, CO8DM, FP/VE3DZ, H44KW, TO2U, V31YK and YI1RZ.
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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WFF (World Flora & Fauna) at: www.wff44.org/program/wff/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/
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BITS & PIECES -

C3 - ANDORRA -
Salvador, C31CT, has installed a new webSDR receiver.
http://ardam-andorra.no-ip.org/
"Ardam ham radio club WebSDR receiver, at Ordino, Principality of Andorra, located in the heart of Pyrenees, at an altitude of 1,400 M. but surrounded by even higher mountains."
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* Nauryz DX Contest *
Start: March 23, 2013, starting at 02:00 UTC
Finish: March 23, 2013, finishing at 07:59 UTC
Modes: CW, SSB
Bands: 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m, 10m
More information about it is available online at: www.nauryz-dx-contest.com/
Kind regards and 73,
Mike Chirkov
UN8GC
Contest Organizing Committee

VK9C - COCOS-KEELING -
VK9CZ (replacing VK9C/GM2MP) is the callsign that Chris GM3WOJ/ZL1CT and Keith GM4YXI will use during their 30 March - 13 April activation of Cocos-Keeling Islands (OC-003). A new website with full information will be online soon at: www.vk9cz.com/ [DX World]

YB - INDONESIA -
YB6N will be the callsign used by members of the Indonesian Amateur Radio Organization of North Sumatra Area during their 8-13th March 2013 DXpedition to Nias Island (OC-161). QSL via YB4IR. [DX World]
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ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX SSB CONTEST
The following stations have announced their participation in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (02-03 March, 2013):

3V8BB Tunisia SOABHP QSL LX1NO (d)
8P1V Barbados SOABLP QSL W1VE (d)
8P5A Barbados SOABHP QSL NN1N (d)
9A1A Croatia M/M QSL Direct / LoTW
C6ANM Bahamas M/M QSL WA2IYO (d)
C6AZZ Bahamas SOSB-20m-LP QSL KQ8Z (d)
ED1R Spain M/S QSL EC1KR (d)
EF8U Canary Islands SOABHP QSL Direct / Buro
FM5FJ Martinique SOSB-20m QSL KU9C (d)
FY5KE French Guiana SOSB-15m-HP QSL (d/B)
GJ2A Jersey SO QSL LoTW
HC2/RC5A Ecuador SOABLP QSL RC5A (d/B)
HK1NA Colombia M/M QSL K6IPM (d)
J88DR St. Vincent SOABLP QSL G3TBK (d/B)
KP2/K0BBC U.S. Virgin Islands SO QSL H/c (d/B)
KP2MM U.S. Virgin Islands SOAB QSL N2TTA (d)
KP4EU Puerto Rico SOSB-20m-LP QSL QRZ.com
LA7H Norway M/S QSL LA7H (B)
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB QSL LX2A (d/B)
NH7A Hawaii SOABHP QSL F5VHJ (d/B)
NJ2BB U.S.A. M/2-LP QSL KB2BRR (d/B) [Battleship New Jersey]
OH0X Aland SO QSL OH2TA (d/B)
P49Y Aruba SOABHP QSL AE6Y (d)
PJ2T Curacao M/S QSL N9AG (d)

PU5DCB Brazil SOSB-10m-LP QSL QRZ.com
SN3R Poland M/S QSL SP3KEY (d)
T6MO Afghanistan SOLP QSL K9GY (d/B)
TI8M Costa Rica M/? QSL TI2KAC (d/B)
TO1A French Guiana SOSB-10m-HP QSL LoTW
TO22C Guadeloupe M/? QSL
TO5A Martinique SOABHP QSL F5VHJ (d/B)
V26M Antigua SOAB QSL N3AD (d)
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis SOAB QSL W5JON (d)
VP2V/KE2VB British Virgin Islands SOABLP QSL H/c (d)
VP5H Turks & Caicos M/S QSL W0GJ (d)
VP9I Bermuda M/S QSL WW3S (d)
WP3A Puerto Rico SOABHP QSL NP3O (d)
YN5Z Nicaragua SOAB QSL K7ZO (d)
ZL3IO New Zealand SOABHP QSL Direct / LoTW

(d) = Direct; (B) = Bureau; (d/B) = Direct or Bureau.

Be sure to check Bill's (NG3K) website for updated ARRL DX SSB Contest information at: ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2013.html ..... Good luck to all participants & have fun!
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of I.C.P.O. & VEFF Program: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/
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